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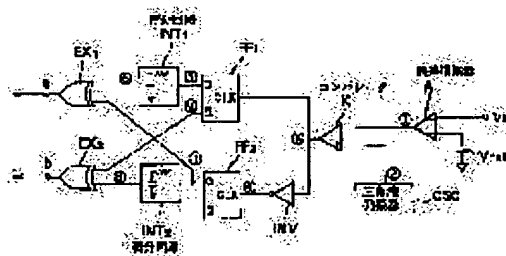
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(54) CONTROL CIRCUIT FOR ZERO-VOLT SWITCH PULSE WIDTH MODULATION TYPE SWITCHING REGULATOR

(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To provide a control circuit which drives two switching elements contained in a zero-voltage switch pulse width modulation (ZVS-PWM) switching regulator.

CONSTITUTION: A pulse signal having the duty ratio corresponding to an error voltage and fixed frequency is generated by means of an error amplifier A which detects an error from a reference voltage V_{ref} , triangular wave oscillator OSC, and comparator K. An inverter INV, flip flops FF1 and FF2, integration circuits INT1 and INT2, and exclusive OR circuits EX1 and EX2 generate the drive signals of two switching elements Q1 and Q2 based on the pulse signal. By using such a circuit configuration, the switching elements Q1 and Q2 are alternately turned on with a fixed dead time in between.



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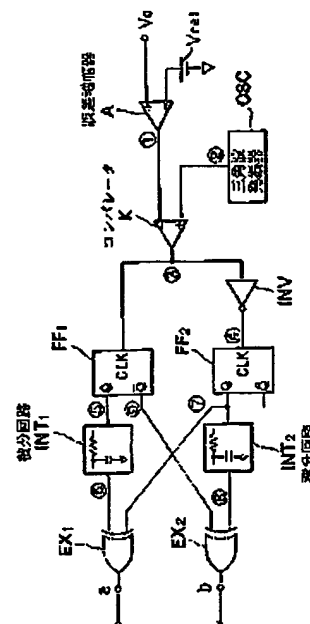
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(54) 【発明の名称】 ゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路

(57) 【要約】

【目的】 ゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調 (ZVS-PWM) 型のスイッチングレギュレータに含まれる2つのスイッチ素子 Q_1, Q_2 を駆動する制御回路を提供する。

【構成】 基準電圧 V_{ref} との誤差を検出する誤差増幅器Aと、三角波発振器OSCと、コンパレータKとにより、誤差電圧に応じたデューティ比を有する一定周波数のパルス信号を生成する。このパルス信号に基づき、インバータINV、フリップフロップFF₁、FF₂、積分回路INT₁、INT₂及び排他的論理和回路EX₁、EX₂とによって、2つのスイッチ素子 Q_1, Q_2 のそれぞれの駆動信号を生成する。この回路構成により、一定のデッドタイムをはさんで両方のスイッチ素子が交互にオン状態となる。



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【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】 ゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型のスイッチングレギュレータの制御に使用される制御回路であって、

前記スイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧信号を入力とし前記出力電圧信号と基準電圧との誤差を検出する誤差増幅器と、前記誤差の大きさに応じたデューティ比を有する一定周波数のパルス信号を生成する信号生成回路と、前記信号生成回路の出力を反転するインバータと、前記信号生成回路の出力を入力とする第1のフリップフロップと、前記インバータの出力を入力とする第2のフリップフロップと、前記第1のフリップフロップの非反転出力を所定時間遅延させる第1の遅延回路と、前記第2のフリップフロップの非反転出力を前記所定時間遅延させる第2の遅延回路と、前記第1の遅延回路の出力と前記第2のフリップフロップの非反転出力とを入力とする第1の排他的論理和回路と、前記第2の遅延回路の出力と前記第1のフリップフロップの反転出力とを入力とする第2の排他的論理和回路とを有し、

前記各排他的論理和回路の出力が前記スイッチングレギュレータの各スイッチ素子のオン/オフ制御に使用されるゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路。

【請求項2】 前記信号生成回路が、一定周波数の三角波信号を発生する三角波発振器と、前記誤差増幅器の出力と前記三角波信号を比較してその結果を出力するコンパレータとによって構成された、請求項1に記載のゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路。

【請求項3】 同一の時定数を有する積分回路によって前記各遅延回路が構成され、前記各排他的論理和回路の入力のスレッシュホールド電圧が同一である請求項1または2に記載のゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路。

【発明の詳細な説明】

【0001】

【産業上の利用分野】 本発明は、スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路に関し、特にゼロボルトスイッチング(ZVS)パルス幅変調(PWM)型のスイッチングレギュレータの制御回路に関する。

【0002】

【従来の技術】 スwitchングレギュレータは、小型、高効率の電源として広く使用されており、各種の回路構成のものが実用化されている。スイッチングレギュレータでは、一般的に、パルス幅変調(PWM; Pulse Width Modulation)によって出力電圧の制御が行なわれている。PWM型のスイッチングレギュレータにおいてスイッチングノイズを低減するとともにさらなる電力変換効率の向上を實現する新しい技術として、ゼロボルトスイッチング(ZVS; Zero Volt Switching)が提唱され

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ている(例えば、原田耕介、二宮保、顧文健、共著:「スイッチングコンバータの基礎」;コロナ社)。

【0003】 図3(a)は、ゼロボルトスイッチングパルス幅変調(以下、ZVS-PWMと称する)型のスイッチングレギュレータの基本回路図である。従来の降圧型のスイッチングレギュレータ回路における整流ダイオードを第2のスイッチ素子に取り替えるとともに、各スイッチ素子に並列にそれぞれコンデンサを接続した構成となっている。

【0004】 すなわち、共通接地点と入力端子T₁との間に入力電源Eが接続されるものとして、入力端子T₁と共通接地点との間に、典型的にはパワーMOSトランジスタからなる第1及び第2のスイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂が直列に接続されており、各スイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂にはそれぞれコンデンサC₁, C₂が並列に接続されている。各スイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂は、それぞれのゲート端子G₁, G₂に印加される電圧でオン/オフの制御がなされるものである。スイッチ素子Q₁とスイッチ素子Q₂との接続点にチョークコイルLの一端が接続され、このチョークコイルLの他端は出力端子T₂に接続されている。出力端子T₂と共通接地点との間にはコンデンサC₃が設けられている。ここで出力端子T₂の電圧を出力電圧V_oとする。負荷抵抗Rは、端子T₂と共通接地点との間に接続される。

【0005】 各スイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂の動作タイミングが図3(b)に示されている。ZVS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータでは、スイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂を交互にオンさせるのであるが、その際、両方のスイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂がともにオフ状態となる期間(デッドタイムt_d)を設けて各スイッチ素子Q₁, Q₂でのゼロボルトスイッチングが實現できるようにし、これにより、スイッチングノイズを低減させるとともに電力変換効率を向上させている。第1のスイッチ素子Q₁のオン時間をt_{on1}、第2のスイッチ素子Q₂のオフ時間をt_{off2}、繰り返し周期をt_pとすると、デッドタイムt_dは、t_d=t_{on1}+2×t_{off2}を満足する一定時間である。また、第1のスイッチ素子Q₁のデューティ比D₁は、D₁=t_{on1}/t_pであって、t_dを一定に保ちつつこのデューティ比D₁を変化させることにより、出力電圧V_oの制御が行なわれる。

【0006】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】 ZVS-PWM型のスイッチングレギュレータについてはその基本回路構成は知られているものの、各スイッチ素子を適切に駆動するための実用的な制御回路はこれまで實現されておらず、このため、ZVS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータ自体も実用化されていなかった。

【0007】 本発明の目的は、ZVS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路であって、高精度かつ簡潔な回路を提供することにある。

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【課題を解決するための手段】本発明のゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路は、ゼロボルトスイッチパルス幅変調型のスイッチングレギュレータの制御に使用される制御回路であって、前記スイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧信号を入力とし前記出力電圧信号と基準電圧との誤差を検出する誤差増幅器と、前記誤差の大きさに応じたデューティ比を有する一定周波数のパルス信号を生成する信号生成回路と、前記信号生成回路の出力を反転するインバータと、前記信号生成回路の出力を入力とする第1のフリップフロップと、前記インバータの出力を入力とする第2のフリップフロップと、前記第1のフリップフロップの非反転出力を所定時間遅延させる第1の遅延回路と、前記第2のフリップフロップの非反転出力を前記所定時間遅延させる第2の遅延回路と、前記第1の遅延回路の出力と前記第2のフリップフロップの非反転出力とを入力とする第1の排他的論理和回路と、前記第2の遅延回路の出力と前記第1の排他的論理和回路とを有し、前記各排他的論理和回路の出力が前記スイッチングレギュレータの各スイッチ素子のオン/オフ制御に使用される。

【0009】本発明において、信号生成回路は、一定周波数の三角波信号を発生する三角波発振器と、誤差増幅器の出力と三角波信号を比較してその結果を出力するコンパレータとによって構成することができる。また、同一の時間定数を有する積分回路によって各遅延回路を構成し、各排他的論理和回路の入力のスレッショールド電圧が同一であるようにすることができる。

【0010】

【作用】フリップフロップと遅延回路と排他的論理和回路を2個ずつ使用して、デッドタイムを有する適切な出力が得られるようにしたので、2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータのための高精度の制御回路を簡潔な構成で実現できる。

【0011】

【実施例】次に、本発明の実施例について図面を参照して説明する。図1は本発明の一実施例の2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路の構成を示すブロック図であり、図2は図1の制御回路における各点の電圧の変化を示すタイミングチャートである。この制御回路は、図3(a)に基本回路図を示す2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの制御に好ましく使用されるものであって、スイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧 V_o を入力とし、各スイッチ素子 Q_1, Q_2 の駆動信号を出力する。この駆動信号に基づき、不図示の駆動回路によって各スイッチ素子 Q_1, Q_2 のオン/オフ制御が行なわれる。

【0012】基準電圧 V_{ref} とスイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧 V_o とを入力とし、これらの間の誤差を検出して増幅する誤差増幅器Aが設けられている。また、

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一定の周波数で三角波を発生する三角波発振器OSCが設けられている。これら誤差増幅器Aの出力と三角波発振器OSCの出力は、コンパレータKに入力して相互に比較されるようになっている。さらにこの制御回路には、コンパレータKの出力が入力してこれを反転するインバータINVと、コンパレータKの出力をクロック入力とする第1のT型フリップフロップFF₁と、インバータINVの出力をクロック入力とする第2のT型フリップフロップFF₂と、第1のフリップフロップのFF₁の非反転出力Qが入力する第1の積分回路INT₁と、第2のフリップフロップFF₂の非反転出力Qが入力する第2の積分回路INT₂と、第1の積分回路INT₁の出力及び第2のフリップフロップの非反転出力Qを入力とする第1の排他的論理和回路EX₁と、第2の積分回路INT₂の出力及び第1のフリップフロップFF₁の反転出力

【0013】

【外1】

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を入力とする第2の排他的論理和回路EX₂とを有する。第1の排他的論理和回路EX₁からの出力信号は、端子aを介して、スイッチングレギュレータの第1のスイッチ素子 Q_1 （図3参照）の駆動信号となり、同様に第2の排他的論理和回路EX₂からの出力信号は、端子bを介して、スイッチ素子 Q_2 の駆動信号となる。

【0014】積分回路INT₁、INT₂は、入力信号を所定の同一時間だけ遅延させるためのものであり、抵抗とコンデンサからなるCR型のものであって、同一の時間定数を有する。また排他的論理和回路EX₁、EX₂は、入力電圧特性に関し、同一のスレッショールド電圧を有する。

【0015】次に、この制御回路の動作を説明する。誤差増幅器Aによりスイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧 V_o と基準電圧 V_{ref} との誤差が増幅され（図2の①参照）、また、三角波発振器OSCは一定周波数の三角波を出力する（図2の②参照）。以下の説明から明らかなように、三角波の周期が繰り返す周期 t_0 となる。コンパレータKは、誤差増幅器Aの出力（図2の①）と三角波発振器OSCの出力（図2の②）を比較し、図2の③に示されるように、三角波の方の電圧が上回っている期間、論理値“1”を出力し、その他の期間は論理値“0”を出力する。したがって、コンパレータKの出力信号のデューティ比は、誤差増幅器Aで検出された誤差の大きさに対応することになる。

【0016】コンパレータKの出力は、第1のT型フリップフロップFF₁のクロック端子CLKに入力するとともに、インバータINVによって反転されて（図2の④参照）、第2のT型フリップフロップFF₂のクロック端子CLKに入力する。各フリップフロップFF₁、FF₂がポジティブエッジトリガであるとする、第1の

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フリップフロップFF₁の非反転出力Qおよび反転出力
【0017】

【外2】

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は、それぞれ、図2の⑤及び⑥で示されるようになり、第2のフリップフロップFF₂の非反転出力Qは図2の⑦で示されるようになる。第1のフリップフロップFF₁の出力と第2のフリップフロップFF₂の出力とは、コンパレータKの出力パルスの幅だけ、すなわち、上述の誤差の大きさに応じて、時間的にずれている。

【0018】積分回路INT₁、INT₂では、フリップフロップFF₁、FF₂の非反転出力Qが、そのCRの時定数に応じて積分される。積分回路INT₁、INT₂の出力が、図2の⑧と⑨にそれぞれ示されている。第1の排他的論理和回路EX₁は、第1の積分回路INT₁の出力と第2のフリップフロップFF₂の非反転出力Qとの排他的論理和を求めて出力する（図2のa参照）。すなわち、コンパレータKの出力と同様であるが、積分回路INT₁の時定数と排他的論理和回路EX₁の入力のスレッシュホールド電圧で定まる所定の時間だけ、パルスの立上りの時点が遅延している出力が得られる。ここではこの所定の時間が2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータのデッドタイムt_dと一致するように、時定数やスレッシュホールド電圧を定めるようにしておく。同様に、第2の排他的論理和回路EX₂は、第2の積分回路INT₂の出力と第1のフリップフロップFF₁の反転出力との排他的論理和を求めて出力する（図2のb参照）。したがって、第2の排他的論理和回路EX₂からは、インバータINVの出力と同様であるが、パルスの立上りがデッドタイムt_dだけ遅れた出力が得られる。

【0019】上述したように、デッドタイムt_dは、積分回路INT₁、INT₂の時定数と排他的論理和回路EX₁、EX₂のスレッシュホールド電圧によって決定するので、一定である。繰り返し時間t_rは三角波発振器OSCの発振周波数で定まるので一定であり、端子aが“1”である時間t₁はスイッチングレギュレータの出力電圧V_oと基準電圧V_{ref}との誤差に応じて変化することになる。したがって、t₁=t_d+2×t_dが常に成立する。

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2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの各素子の定数、入力電圧及び所望の出力電圧に応じて繰り返し周期t_rやデッドタイムt_dを定め、また、誤差増幅器Aのゲインなどを適切に設定し、端子a、bからの出力によってスイッチ素子Q₁、Q₂がそれぞれオン/オフ制御されるようにしておくことにより、この制御回路によって2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータを適切に制御することができることになる。

【0020】

10 【発明の効果】以上説明したように本発明は、フリップフロップと遅延回路と排他的論理和回路などを使用する簡潔な回路構成で、2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータのための高精度の制御回路を構成でき、2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータが容易に実現できるようになるという効果がある。

【図面の簡単な説明】

【図1】本発明の一実施例の2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの制御回路の構成を示すブロック図である。

20 【図2】図1の制御回路のフローチャートである。

【図3】(a)は2VS-PWM型スイッチングレギュレータの基本回路図、(b)は各スイッチ素子に対する駆動信号を示すタイミングチャートである。

【符号の説明】

A 誤差増幅器

E 入力電源

EX₁、EX₂ 排他的論理和回路FF₁、FF₂ フリップフロップG₁、G₂ ゲート端子

30 K コンパレータ

INV インバータ

INT₁、INT₂ 積分回路

OSC 三角波発振器

Q₁、Q₂ スwitch素子T₁、T₂ 端子

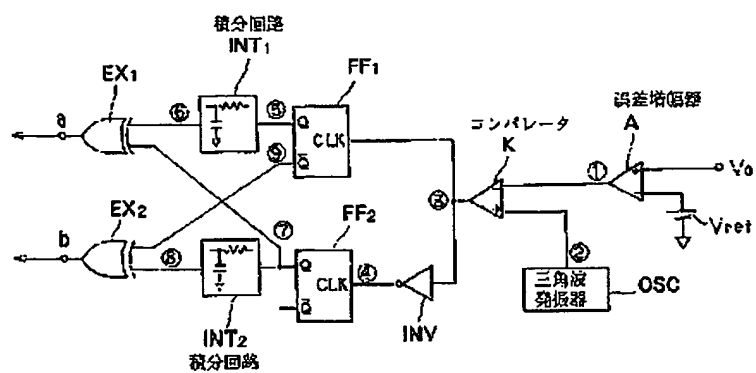
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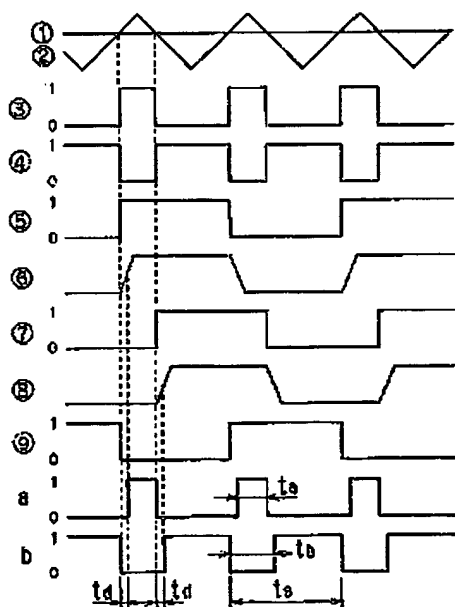
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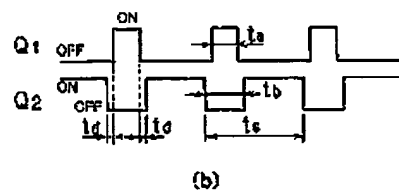
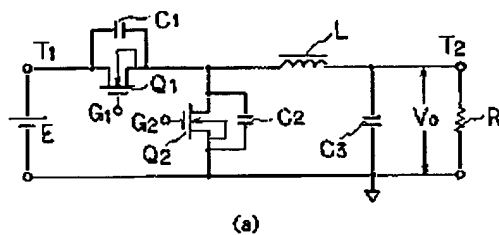
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CLAIMS

[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1] It is the control circuit used for control of a switching regulator of a zero volt switch Pulse-Density-Modulation mold. Error amplifier which considers an output voltage signal of said switching regulator as an input, and detects an error of said output voltage signal and reference voltage, A signal generation circuit which generates a pulse signal of constant frequency which has a duty ratio according to magnitude of said error, An inverter which reverses an output of said signal generation circuit, and the 1st flip-flop which considers an output of said signal generation circuit as an input, The 2nd flip-flop which considers an output of said inverter as an input, and the 1st delay circuit which carries out predetermined time delay of the noninverting output of said 1st flip-flop, A noninverting output of said 2nd flip-flop Said 2nd delay circuit which carries out predetermined time delay, The 1st exclusive "or" circuit which considers an output of said 1st delay circuit, and a noninverting output of said 2nd flip-flop as an input, It has the 2nd exclusive "or" circuit which considers an output of said 2nd delay circuit, and a reversal output of said 1st flip-flop as an input. A control circuit of a zero volt switch Pulse-Density-Modulation mold switching regulator where an output of each of said exclusive "or" circuit is used for ON / off control of each switching device of said switching regulator.

[Claim 2] A control circuit of a zero volt switch Pulse-Density-Modulation mold switching regulator according to claim 1 constituted by comparator which said signal generation circuit compares an output and said chopping sea signal of a chopping sea oscillator which generates a chopping sea signal of constant frequency, and said error amplifier, and outputs the result.

[Claim 3] Said each delay circuit is constituted by integrating circuit which has the same time constant, and it is the control circuit of a zero volt switch Pulse-Density-Modulation mold switching regulator according to claim 1 or 2 with same SURESSHORUDO voltage of an input of each of said exclusive "or" circuit.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

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[0005] The timing of each switching devices Q1 and Q2 of operation is shown in drawing 3 (b). In the ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator, although switching devices Q1 and Q2 are made to turn on by turns, in that case, establish the period (dead time t_d) when both both switching devices Q1 and Q2 will be in an OFF state, and it enables it to realize zero volt switching by each switching devices Q1 and Q2, and while reducing a switching noise, thereby, power conversion effectiveness is raised. When t_a and OFF time amount of the 2nd switching device Q2 are set to t_b and a repeat period is set to t_s for the ON time amount of the 1st switching device Q1, a dead time t_d is fixed time amount with which are satisfied of $t_b=t_a+2t_d$. Moreover, the duty ratio D_a of the 1st switching device Q1 is $D_a=t_a/t_s$, and control of output voltage V_o is performed by changing this duty ratio D_a , keeping t_d constant.

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[0009] In this invention, a chopping sea oscillator which generates a chopping sea signal of constant frequency, and a comparator which compares an output and a chopping sea signal of error amplifier, and outputs the result can constitute a signal generation circuit. moreover, an integrating circuit which has the same time constant -- each delay circuit -- constituting -- SURESSHORUDO voltage of an input of each exclusive "or" circuit -- the same -- making .

[0010]

[Function] It uses a flip-flop, a delay circuit, and two exclusive "or" circuits at a time, and since the suitable output which has a dead time was obtained, the control circuit of the high degree of accuracy for a ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator is realizable with a brief configuration.

[0011]

[Example] Next, the example of this invention is explained with reference to a drawing. Drawing 1 is the block diagram showing the configuration of the control circuit of the ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator of one example of this invention, and drawing 2 is a timing chart which shows change of the voltage of each point in the control circuit of drawing 1 . This control circuit is preferably used for control of the ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator which shows a basic circuit diagram to drawing 3 (a), considers output voltage V_o of a switching regulator as an input, and outputs the driving signal of each switching devices Q1 and Q2. Based on this driving signal, ON / off control of each switching devices Q1 and Q2 are performed by the non-illustrated actuation circuit.

[0012] Reference voltage V_{ref} and output voltage V_o of a switching regulator are considered as an input, and the error amplifier A which detects and amplifies the error between these is formed. Moreover, the chopping sea oscillator OSC which oscillates a chopping sea on fixed frequency is formed. The output of these error amplifier A and the output of the chopping sea oscillator OSC are inputted into Comparator K, and are measured mutually. The inverter INV which the output of Comparator K inputs into this control circuit, and furthermore reverses this to it, 1st T mold

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[0016] It is reversed with Inverter INV (refer to ** of drawing 2), and the output of Comparator K is inputted into the clock terminal CLK of 2nd T mold flip-flop FF 2 while inputting it into the clock terminal CLK of 1st T mold flip-flop FF 1. Supposing each flip-flops FF1 and FF2 are positive edge triggers, it is the noninverting output Q and reversal output [0017] of the 1st flip-flop FF 1.

[External Character 2]

It comes to be shown by **, ** which is drawing 2 , and **, respectively, and the noninverting output Q of the 2nd flip-flop FF 2 comes to be shown by ** of drawing 2 . According to the magnitude of the error above-mentioned [the output of the 1st flip-flop FF 1 and the output of the 2nd flip-flop FF 2 / the width of face of the output pulse of Comparator K], it is shifted in time.

[0018] The noninverting output Q of flip-flops FF1 and FF2 integrates integrating circuits INT1 and INT2 according to the time constant of the CR. The output of integrating circuits INT1 and INT2 is shown in ** and ** of drawing 2 , respectively. The 1st exclusive "or" circuit EX1 is outputted in quest of the exclusive OR of the output of the 1st integrating circuit INT 1, and the

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[0019] As mentioned above, since the time constant of integrating circuits INT1 and INT2 and the SURESSHOHORUDO voltage of exclusive "or" circuits EX1 and EX2 determine a dead time t_d , it is fixed. The time amount t_a whose terminal a it is fixed since repetition time t_s becomes settled on the oscillation frequency of the chopping sea oscillator OSC, and is "1" will change according to the error of the output voltage V_o of a switching regulator, and reference voltage V_{ref} . Therefore, $t_b = t_a + 2 \times t_d$ is always materialized. When the repeat period t_s and a dead time t_d are defined according to the constant of each element of a ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator, input voltage, and desired output voltage, and the gain of the error amplifier A etc. is set up appropriately and ON/OFF control of the switching devices Q1 and Q2 is made to be carried out by the output from Terminals a and b, respectively, a ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator can be appropriately controlled by this control circuit.

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DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[Brief Description of the Drawings]

[Drawing 1] It is the block diagram showing the configuration of the control circuit of the ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator of one example of this invention.

[Drawing 2] It is the flow chart of the control circuit of drawing 1 .

[Drawing 3] It is the timing chart which shows a driving signal [as opposed to / as opposed to / in (a) / the basic circuit diagram of a ZVS-PWM mold switching regulator / each switching device in (b)].

[Description of Notations]

A Error amplifier

E Input power

EX1, EX2 Exclusive "or" circuit

FF1, FF2 Flip-flop

G1, G2 Gate terminal

K Comparator

INV Inverter

INT1, INT2 Integrating circuit

OSC Chopping sea oscillator

Q1, Q2 Switching device

T1, T2 Terminal

R Load resistance

Vo Output voltage

Vref Reference voltage